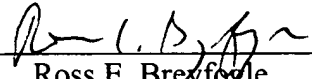


The Group I claims (Claims 1-43 and 44) are hereby elected without traverse for examination at this time.

Also enclosed is a Petition for Extension for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and a check in the amount of \$55.00 for a one month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), based on small entity status. No other fees are believed to be due with this communication. If any additional fees are due, please debit such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Respectfully submitted,

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